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SRI C. KUNHIRAMA KURUP:—" Sir, have the Government
9-10 a.m. received any memorandum from the Secretary of the Praja Socialist Party, Malabar, requesting to lease the vast area of Kuthali estate to the landless poor and if so, what action has been taken so far? "

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR:—" Sir, as to the memorandum, I am not able to answer readily and I should insist on a separate notice. Every applicant is given land."

SRI A. APPU:—" My I know, Sir, whether a large number of poor persons who raised fugitive crops on waste lands were prosecuted by the Government last year? "

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR:—" Sir, regarding prosecutions in this Estate, I do not think there was any such case."

DR. K. B. MENON:—" Sir, it seems that this is the only consolidated block of land in the possession of Government. Will the Government consider organizing cultivation on a co-operative basis and take the initiative in the matter? "

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR:—" Government will consider that suggestion, Sir."

SRI M. NARAYANA NAMBIAR:—" What is the extent of land given to each lessee and what are the crops raised there, Sir? "

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR:—" Sir, regarding the first part of the question, I want notice. As for the second part, the crops raised are tapioca and other fugitive crops."

SRI P. KUNHIRAMA KIDAV:—" Will the Government take urgent steps to lease the lands which had been already allotted for cultivation in the last three years, for a considerable period, say twelve years, so that the tenants can improve the lands? "

THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR:—" Government will consider that, Sir."

Construction of a bridge over Kottur Ferry.

* 199 *Q.*—SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state the reasons for not implementing the Government's proposal to construct a bridge over Kottur Ferry to connect Changalayi and Iritty for public transport?

THE HON. SRI K. RAJARAM:—" The bridge work referred to by the hon. Member is presumably the one at M 5/5 of the road from Kayambai to Kottur Ferry and on to Kalliad which was sanctioned for execution for maintenance of law

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and order. The work was not, however, taken up for execution in view of the financial stringency and the improvement of the law and order situation."

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—" സർ, ഇതു ഒരു മലഞ്ചരക്കു പ്രദേശമാണ്. ഈ പാലം ഇല്ലാത്തതിന്റെ ഫലമായി ഈ പ്രദേശത്തിലുള്ള കച്ചവടത്തിനും ഗതാഗതത്തിനും, കൃഷിക്കാർക്കു മലഞ്ചരക്കു കൊണ്ടുപോകുന്നതിനും ഭാരിച്ച വിഷമതകൾ ഉണ്ടു് എന്നു മനസ്സിലാക്കി ഗവൺമെണ്ടു് അടിയന്തരമായി ഈ പാലം കെട്ടുന്നതിനുള്ള നടപടി എടുക്കുമോ ?"

THE HON. SRI K. RAJARAM :—" Yes, Sir, it is also reported that this bridge is necessary and it will be taken up when funds are available with the District Board."

SRI S. RAMALINGAM :—" சட்டத்தை நிலைநிறுத்துவதற்காக பல ஆயிரம் ரூபாய் செலவு செய்யும் இந்த சர்க்கார் பொது ஜனங்களின் நன்மையை உத்தேசித்து அவர்களுக்கான நன்மையைச் செய்ய செலவிடுமா ? "

THE HON. SRI K. RAJARAM :—" Yes, Sir, when funds are available, it will be taken up."

SRI K. P. GOPALAN :—" സർ, ഗവൺമെണ്ടു് ഒരു പാലം പകുതി വരെ പണിചെയ്തു അനവധി പണം ചിലവാക്കി ആ പാലത്തിന്റെ പണി അവിടെ നിർത്തുന്നതുകൊണ്ടു് ഗവൺമെണ്ടിന്നു എത്രയോ പണ നഷ്ടം വരുന്നുണ്ടു്. അങ്ങിനെ എത്രയോ റോഡുകൾ പകുതി പണിചെയ്തു നിർത്തീട്ടുണ്ടു്. ഈ സമ്പ്രദായം ഗവൺമെണ്ടു് നിർത്തുമോ എന്നു എനിക്കു അറിയേണ്ടതായിട്ടുണ്ടു്."

THE HON. SRI K. RAJARAM :—" Sir, it is not correct to say that the bridge work was stopped in the middle. This work was not at all taken up."

SRI V. GOPALA GOUNDER :—" Sir, the Hon. Minister was saying that this road bridge was sanctioned for maintaining law and order there. Was it for the purpose of moving military force or police force to quell rebellion, if any? "

THE HON. SRI K. RAJARAM :—" Whatever is necessary will be taken on that road, Sir."

'Hind Kusht Nivaran Sangh.'

* 200 *Q*.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state the amount of grant given to the Hind Kusht Nivaran Sangh in the South Arcot district during 1951 and 1952 and how many centres of the Sangh were running in the district during 1952?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" No grant was given to the South Arcot Branch of the Hind Kusht Nivaran Sangh either in 1951 or 1952. The Sangh has provided leprosy clinics in 21 Medical Institutions of Local Boards in the district, and is also maintaining two clinics independently, one at Vellimedupettai and the other at Muttathur."